

Whereas, The Rangers were highly and rigorously trained to attack in the dead of night from the least likely route and climb cliffs and speed march, enabling them to infiltrate deep behind enemy lines on foot; and Whereas, There were six Ranger Battalions deployed during World War II, all of which were strictly volunteer; and Whereas, Each battalion was comprised of approximately 500 men; and

Whereas, At least 48 World War II Rangers came from this Commonwealth, 33 of which remained overseas in American battlefield cemeteries; and

Whereas, Three World War II Rangers in D Company, 2nd Ranger Battalion were from Altoona; and

Whereas, Two of the three climbed the cliffs at Pointe du Hoc and one destroyed five of six long-range artillery pieces at Pointe du Hoc; and

Whereas, There are only 41 known World War II Rangers alive nationwide; and

Whereas, It is imperative that these heroes are given the honor they deserve; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives urge the President and the Congress of the United States to enact S. 1757 or similar legislation to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States Army Rangers Veterans of World War II in recognition of their extraordinary service; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, to the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each member of Congress from Pennsylvania.

POM-181. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan urging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to increase funding for the Great Lakes restoration initiative to \$475 million per year; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 157

Whereas, The Great Lakes are a critical resource for our nation and central to the economy, heritage, and quality of life of Michigan and the other seven states within the Great Lakes region. The Great Lakes hold over 84 percent of the United States' surface freshwater and drive a thriving regional economy, directly supporting 1.5 million U.S. jobs and generating \$62 billion in wages. More than 30 million U.S. residents depend on the Great Lakes for drinking water; and

Whereas, The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) has provided crucial funding to support long overdue work to protect and restore the Great Lakes. In partnership with the states, local governments, and other organizations, the federal government has invested more than \$3 billion and supported over 4,700 projects over the last decade, including around \$600 million for more than 1,100 projects in Michigan; and

Whereas, The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative represents a sound investment in both the environment and the economies of the Great Lakes region. A 2018 study calculated that for every federal dollar invested in Great Lakes restoration there is \$3.35 in additional economic activity, with older industrial cities like Detroit seeing an even higher return on investment; and

Whereas, Real progress has been made in cleaning up and restoring the Great Lakes thanks to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. One-third of the region's toxic hot spots have been cleaned up, sparking redevelopment and business opportunities on waterfronts. Area farms and conservation orga-

nizations have increased conservation practices, which have reduced harmful nutrient runoff, and habitat and wildlife connectivity continue to improve, with nearly 5,000 miles of rivers cleared of dams and other barriers; and

Whereas, Far more work needs to be done to ensure every person has a clean community in which to live, safe beaches to enjoy, and healthy fish to eat. Substantial limitations and threats to the use of the Great Lakes remain whether toxic algal blooms shutting down Toledo's drinking water supply, invasive carp threatening billion-dollar fisheries, or contaminated sediments restricting recreational opportunities; and

Whereas, The time to act is now. The ecological, economic, and health risks are too high. The problems will only get worse and the solutions more expensive and challenging in the future; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the President and Congress of the United States to increase funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to \$475 million per year to boost the region's work of cleaning up toxic contamination, reducing runoff pollution, stopping invasive species, and protecting and restoring wetlands and other habitats; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3277. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to strengthen the infrastructure of, access to, and reporting of Medicaid home and community-based services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RISCH (for himself and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 3278. A bill to modify the requirements for the Administrator of the Small Business Administration relating to declaring a disaster in a rural area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. BOOKER:

S. 3279. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional entitlement to Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to certain veterans and members of the Armed Forces who require extra time to complete remedial and deficiency courses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 3280. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that high-taxed amounts are excluded from tested income for purposes of determining global intangible low-taxed income only if such amounts would be foreign base company income or insurance income; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3281. A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require recycling of beverage containers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3282. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the oversight of contracts awarded by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 3283. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to allow States to use incentive payments available under the child support enforcement program to improve parent-child relationships, increase child support collections, and improve outcomes for children by supporting parenting time arrangements for noncustodial parents in uncontested agreements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 3284. A bill to create a moratorium on the government use of facial recognition technology until a Commission recommends the appropriate guidelines and limitation for use of facial recognition technology; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. BURR, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. LANKFORD, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 3285. A bill to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Ms. ERNST, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 3286. A bill to restrict certain Federal grants for States that grant driver licenses to illegal immigrants and fail to share information about criminal aliens with the Federal Government; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. PERDUE, and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 3287. A bill to modify the government-wide financial management plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. HARRIS (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3288. A bill to provide for the protection of and investment in certain Federal land in the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 296

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 578

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 578, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the five-month waiting period for disability insurance benefits under such title for individuals with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

S. 648

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr.